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1. THE FOLLOWING FAA SECURITY BULLETIN IS PROVIDED FOR  
EMBASSY'S INFORMATION AND, UNLESS OBJECTION PERCEIVED,  
SHOULD BE PASSED TO HOST GOVERNMENTS BECAUSE THEIR AIR  
CARRIERS CONDUCT OPERATIONS BETWEEN THE USA AND JAPAN.  
THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO U.S. AIR  
CARRIERS BY FAA.

2. QUOTE VIOLENCE AND DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE NARITA AIRPORT, RESULTING IN HARASSMENT AND SABOTAGE ACTS CONTINUE TO BE A SOURCE OF CONCERN. VIOLENT CLASHES BY DEMONSTRATORS ON JULY 2 AGAINST POLICE FORCES WERE AGAIN EXPERIENCED AND, ALTHOUGH NO MAJOR INCIDENTS OCCURRED AFFECTING THE AIRPORT PROPER, 53 ARRESTS WERE REPORTED AND 3 POLICE OFFICIALS WERE INJURED. REPORTEDLY, THE SCALE AND INTENSITY OF VIOLENCE DID NOT MATCH THE ATTACK ON THE AIRPORT CONTROL TOWER FACILITIES WHEN RADICALS STORMED INTO AIRPORT PROPER ON MARCH 26 AND GUERRILLA ATTACKS ON OPENING DAY, MAY 20. THE JULY 2 DEMONSTRATION IS ONE OF TWO ACTIONS ANNOUNCED BY ANTI-AIRPORT OPPOSITION GROUPS AND PART OF THE 100-DAY STRUGGLE TO FORCE THE

CLOSING OF THE AIRPORT. SEPTEMBER 17, THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE WHEN SURVEYORS DROVE THE FIRST STAKE INTO THE GROUND AT THE NARITA LOCATION, IS THE NEXT KNOWN OPERATION, REPORTEDLY, TO DESTROY THE AIRPORT. THUS, THE PROTECTION OF NARITA, ITS APPROACHES AND VICINITIES AND RELATED OUTLYING SUPPORT FACILITIES WILL REMAIN TO BE A SERIOUS SECURITY PROBLEM. ADD TO THE PROBLEM OF SECURITY AT THE AIRPORT AND ITS ENVIRONS, THE REPORTED INTENT BY A RADICAL GROUP CALLED "CHUKAKU HA" TO DIRECT THEIR ACTIONS AGAINST ALLIED BUSINESSES, TO INCLUDE AIR CARRIERS, THAT DEAL WITH THE AIRPORT; THE REPORT THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE JAPANESE RED ARMY (JRA) MAY HIJACK AN AIRCRAFT IN SUPPORT OF THE RADICALS; AND THE RECENTLY REPORTED EXPULSION OF THE 5 JRA HIJACKERS OF A JAL AIRCRAFT OVER INDIA AND THEIR 6 RED ARMY SYMPATHIZERS FROM ALGERIA (ALBEIT THE EXPULSION OCCURRED ABOUT 9 MONTHS AGO). THE ANNOUNCED INTENTION OF THE "CHUKAKU HA" RADICAL GROUP AND THE UNKNOWN WHEREABOUTS OF THE JRA TERRORISTS PRESENTS THE GREATEST DANGER TO AIRLINES, CREW AND PASSENGERS WHICH CAN AND MAY POSSIBLY LEAD TO SABOTAGE AND/OR HIJACKING OF AIRCRAFT TO OR FROM NARITA. THE FACT THAT THE JRA HAS OPERATED PRIMARILY OUTSIDE OF JAPAN IN SUPPORT OF OTHER CAUSES DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS TERRORIST GROUP SUPPORTING RADICAL DOMESTIC CAUSES. A SUCCESSFUL HIJACKING BY THE JRA COULD SERVE A TWOFOLD PURPOSE. IT COULD PROVIDE LEVERAGE AGAINST THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AND IT COULD BE THE BEGINNING OF JOINT ACTIONS WITH JAPAN'S LOCAL RADICAL GROUPS IN A DRIVE TO BUILD SYMPATHETIC SUPPORT ON THE "HOME FRONT." FAA COMMENT: THESE VIOLENT ACTIONS THREATEN AIRPORT OPERATION BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY THREATEN THE LIVES OF INNOCENT PEOPLE. AIR CARRIERS MUST MAINTAIN THEIR VIGILANCE AND ALERTNESS IN SUPERVISING AND MONITOR-

ING THEIR SECURITY MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT ALL PASSENGERS/  
CARRYON BAGGAGE SCREENING REMAINS EXTREMELY THOROUGH.  
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